formulations is fixed at 16%. Therefore, the Sales promotion expenses are included in MAPE and therefore are restricted within the limits of MAPE.

However, the prices of non-Scheduled medicines are fixed by the manufactures themselves keeping in view various factors like cost of production, marketing/selling expenses, R&D expenses, trade commission, market competition, production innovation, product quality etc. Sales promotion expenses for these products by the pharma companies are based on their corporate decisions. In such cases there is no specified limits for Sales Promotion expenses by the Government.

No data is maintained regarding promotional expenditure of Pharma companies.

**Allegations against DPLRC**

2612. SHRI DARA SINGH CHAUHAN: Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Drug Prices Liability Review Committee (DPLRC) has been acting in an arbitrary manner and notices have been sent only to Indian Companies and large MNCs have been left out;

(b) the details of the notices issued, names of the companies and the amount involved;

(c) whether it is also a fact that 26 cases are still pending with DPLRC;

(d) the reasons for the same; and

(e) the names of the companies and the amount involved?

THE MINISTER OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI RAM VILAS PASWAN): (a) No Sir. Notices have been sent by Drug Prices Liabilities Review Committee (DPLRC) both to the Indian companies as well as MNCs.

(b) DPLRC have issued notices in 72 cases involving 71 companies (one case merged with another) for representation/submission from these companies against the liabilities communicated by the Department of Chemicals & Petrochemicals. The names of the companies to whom notices were issued by the DPLRC are given in Statement (see below). The approximate amount involved in these notices is Rs. 230.40 crore.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) In pursurance of Order dated 16.5.2005 of the Hon'ble Madhya Pradesh High Court, Indore Bench, one case pertaining to M/s. Ethico Drugs and Chemicals Manufacturing Co. Ltd., is at present under examination of the committee. The DPLRC could not take up the remaining 25 cases because of the Interim Stay dated 30.6.1997 granted by the Hon'ble Bombay High Court in Writ Petition No. 2368/1996 filed by Indian Drug Manufacturers' Associaiton (IDMA) and others.

(e) The names of the 26 companies whose cases are pending with DPLRC are given in Annexure-ll. The tentative amount involved in cases is Rs. 50.20 crore.

***Statement I***

List of 72 cases involving 71 companies to whom notices have been sent by dplrc

| SI. No. | Name of the company | Name of the Bulk drug |
|---|---|---|
| 1 | 2 | 3 |
| 1. | M/s. Cyanamid India Ltd (Now M/s. Wyeth Ltd.) | Dimethyl Tetracycline & Formulations |
| 2. | M/s. John Wyeth & Geoffrey Manners (Now Wyeth Ltd.) | Bezathin Penicillin G & formulations |
| 3. | M/s. Anil Starch Products | Dextrose Anhydrous |
| 4. | M/s. S.G. Pharmaceuticals (M/s Ambalal Sarabhai Enterprises Ltd.) | Oxyphenbutazone |
| 5. | M/s. Merind Ltd. | Dexamethasone |
| 6. | M/s. Hoechst India Ltd. (Hoechst Marrion Roussel Ltd.) | Baralgan Ketone etc. |
| 7. | M/s. Franco India Pharma & M/s. Griffon Labs | Phenoxy-methyl Penicillin Penivaral Tab. Etc. |

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| 8. | M/s. Parke Davis (India) Ltd. | Isokin Tab & Liquid |
| 9. | M/s. Wallace Pharma Ltd. | Rifampicin |
| 10. | M/s. Biochem Pharmaceutical Industries | Rifampicin |
| 11. | M/s. Lupin Laboratories Ltd. | Rifampicin |
| 12. | M/s. Astra IDL Ltd. | Rifampicin |
| 13. | M/s. Ethico Drugs & Chemicals Mfg. Co. Pvt. Ltd. | Rifampicin |
| 14. | M/s. Rhone Poulenc (India) Ltd. | Metronidazole |
| 15. | M/s. Unique Pharmaceutical Laboratories Ltd. | Oxphenabutazone |
| 16. | M/s. Ambalal Sarabhai Enterprises Ltd. | Amoxycillin Trihydrate |
| 17. | M/s. Wyeth Laboratories Ltd. | Dexamethasone |
| 18. | M/s. Biddle Sawyers Ltd. | Salbutamol Sulphate |
| 19. | M/s. Alembic Chemicals Works | Ampicillin Trihydrate |
| 20. | M/s. CIPLA Ltd. | Amoxycillin Trihydrate |
| 21. | M/s. Pharmed Pvt. Ltd. | Rifampicin |
| 22. | M/s. Dey's Medical Stores (Mfg.) Ltd. | Trimethoprim & Sulphamethoxazole |
| 23. | M/s. Parke-Davis (India) Ltd. | Chloramphenicol Powder |
| 24. | M/s. Pharmaceuticals Co. India | Ampicillin Trihydrate |
| 25. | M/s. Gufic Limited | Amoxycillin Trihydrate |
| 26. | M/s. Dey's Medical Stores (Mfg.) Ltd. | Chloramphenicol Powder & Palmitate |
| 27. | M/s. Lyka Labs. Ltd. | Ampicillin Trihydrate |

| 1 | 2 | 3 |
|---|---|---|
| 28. | M/s. Unique Pharmaceuticals Labs. | Metronidazole |
| 29. | M/s. Ranbaxy Laboratories Ltd. | Ampicillin Trihydrate |
| 30. | M/s. CIPLA Ltd. | Sulphamethonazole & Trimethoprim |
| 31. | M/s. Lyka Labs. Ltd. | Rifampicin |
| 32. | M/s. Bayer (India) Ltd. | Chloroquin Phosphate |
| 33. | M/s. Lyka Labs Ltd. | Ethambutol |
| *34. | M/s. Boehringer Mannhein (I) Ltd. | Englucon Tablets |
| 35. | M/s. Pharmaceutical & Chemicals (India) Ltd. | Gentamycin Sulphate |
| 36. | M/s. Yash Pharma Lab. Pvt. Ltd. | Ethambutol |
| 37. | M/s. P.C.I. Pharma | Ethambutol |
| 38. | M/s. Unichem Labs. Ltd. | Metronidazole |
| 39. | M/s. Pharmaceutical Co. of India | Amoxycillin Trihydrate |
| 40. | M/s. Dey's Medical Stores (Mfg.) Ltd. | Ampcillin Trihydrate |
| 41. | M/s. John Wyeth (India) Ltd. | Amoxycillin Trihydrate |
| 42. | M/s. Dolphin Labs. Ltd. | Amoxycillin Trihydrate |
| 43 | M/s. Astra-IDL Labs. Labs | Ibuprofen |
| 44. | M/s. Cadila Chemical Pvt. Ltd. | Trimethoprim Sulphamethoxazole |
| 45. | M/s. Ranbaxy Labs. Ltd. | Rifampicin |
| 46. | M/s. U.S. Vitamin (I) Ltd. | Doxycycline |
| 47. | M/s. Themis Chemicials Ltd. | Rifampicin |
| 48. | M/s. Pharmaceuticals & Chemicals India | Rifampicin |
| 49. | M/s. Pfizer Limited | Protinex Formulations |

| 1 | 2 | 3 |
|---|---|---|
| 50. | M/s. Dolphin Labs. Ltd. | Trimethoprim & Sulphamethoxazole |
| 51. | M/s. Dey's Medical Str. Mfg. Ltd. | Chlorophenicol |
| 52. | M/s. Themis Chemicals Ltd. | Trimethoprim & Sulphamethoxazole |
| 53. | M/s. CIPLA | Metronidazole |
| 54. | M/s. Standard Pharmaceuticals | Gentamycin Sulphate |
| 55. | M/s. Alembic Chemicals Works | Rifampicin |
| 56. | M/s. Biochem Pharmaceuticals Industries. | Gentamycin sulphate |
| 57. | M/s. Parke Devies (India) Ltd. | Multi vitamins |
| 58. | M/s. Roussel Pharmaceuticals (I) Ltd. | Dexamethasone |
| 59. | M/s. Lyka Labs. Ltd. | Amonycillin Trihydrate |
| 60. | M/s. Lyka Labs. Ltd. | Ethambutol |
| 61. | M/s. Knoll Pharmaceutical (Boots) | Ibuprofen |
| 62. | M/s. Biochem Pharmaceuticals Industries | Ampicillin Tryhydrate |
| 63. | M/s. Themis Chemicals Ltd. | Ethambutol |
| 64. | M/s. Infar (India) Ltd. | Dexatopic Cream |
| 65. | M/s. Lyka Labs. | Fluocinolone Accetonipe |
| 66. | M/s. Dolphin Laboratories Ltd. | Metranidazole |
| 67. | M/s. Khandelwal Labs Ltd. | Amoxycillin Trihydrate |
| 68. | M/s. Aristo Pharmaceutical Ltd. | Doxycycline |
| 69. | M/s. Nicholas Piramal Industries | Gentamycin Sulphate |
| 70. | M/s. Tamil Nadu Dadha Pharmaceuticals | Calcium Lactate |
| 71. | M/s. Cadila Labs Ltd. | Dexamethasone |
| 72. | M/s. Burroughs Wellcome (I) Ltd. | Piprazine |

* Cases merged with each other

***Statement II***

*Names of the companies whose cases are pending with DPLRC*

| SI. No. | Name of the company | Name of the Bulk drug |
|---|---|---|
| 1 | 2 | 3 |
| 1. | M/s. Hoechst (I) Ltd. (Now Hoechst Marrion Roussel Ltd.) | Baralgan Ketone etc. |
| 2. | M/s. Ethico Drugs and Chemicals Manufacturing Co. Ltd. | Rifampicin |
| 3. | M/s. Rhone Poulenc Ltd. | Metronidazole |
| 4. | M/s. Alembic Chemicals Works | Ampicillin Trihydrate |
| 5. | M/s. Cipla Ltd. | Amoxycillin Trihydrate |
| 6. | M/s. Dey's Medical Stores (Mfg) Ltd. | Trimethoprim & Sulphamethoxazole |
| 7. | M/s. Parke Devis (I) Ltd. | Chloramphenicol Powder |
| 8. | M/s. Dey's Medical Stores (Mfg) Ltd. | Chloramphenicol Powder Palmitate |
| 9. | M/s. Cipla Ltd. | Sulphamethoxazole & Trimethoprim |
| 10. | M/s. Unichem Labs Ltd. | Metronidazole |
| 11. | M/s. Dey's Medical Stores (Mfg) Ltd. | Ampicilin Trihydrate |
| 12. | M/s. John Wyeth (I) Ltd. | Amoxycillin Trihydrate |
| 13. | M/s. Cadila Chemicals Pvt. Ltd. | Trimethoprim Sulphamethoxazole |
| 14. | M/s. Pfizer Ltd. | Protinex formulations |
| 15. | M/s. Dey's Medical Stores (Mfg) Ltd. | Chloramphenicol & Palmitate |

| 1 | 2 | 3 |
|---|---|---|
| 16. | M/s. Themis Chemical Ltd. | Trimethoprim Sulphamethoxazole |
| 17. | M/s. Parke Davis (I) Ltd. | Multi Vitamins |
| 18. | M/s. Biochem Pharma Industries Ltd. | Ampicilin Trihydrate |
| 19. | M/s. Infar (India) Ltd. | Dexatorpic cream |
| 20. | M/s. Khandelwal Labs Ltd. | Amoxycillin Trihydrate |
| 21. | M/s. Aristo Pharmaceutical Ltd. | Doxycycline |
| 22. | M/s. Nicholas Piramal Industries Ltd. | Gentamycin |
| 23. | M/s. Cadila Labs Ltd. | Dexamethasone |
| 24. | M/s. Burroughs Wellcome (I) Ltd. | Piperazine |
| 25. | M/s. Biochem Pharmaceuticals | Gentamycin Sulphate |
| 26. | M/s. Russel Pharmaceuticals (I) Ltd. | Dexamethasone |

**Prices of essential drugs**

2613: SHRI KALRAJ MISHRA: Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government in consultation with the major pharmaceutical MNCs have lately taken any effective steps and evolved a policy to bring down the prices of essential drugs;

(b) if so, the details thereof indicating the policy so evolved; and

(c) the steps taken in the direction and the outcome thereof?

THE MINISTER OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI RAM VILAS PASWAN): (a) to (c) The present pricing policy of the government is being implemented by the National Pharmaceutical Pricing Authority (NPPA) under the provisions of the Drugs (Prices Control) Order, 1995 and the guidelines evolved by it from time to time.

Subsequently, a Task Force under the Chairmanship of Dr. Pronab Sen, Principal Advisor, Planning Commission was constituted to explore options